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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

September 06, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

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LORI GLASGOW
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORIZE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO ACCEPT FUNDING FROM
THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, VICTIM COMPENSATION AND GOVERNMENT CLAIMS BOARD
(VCGCB)
FOR THE CRIMINAL RESTITUTION COMPACT (CRC) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2016-17 THROUGH
2018-19 ALL DISTRICTS (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The District Attorney is requesting authority, on behalf of the County of Los Angeles, to enter into an agreement with the State of California, Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board (VCGCB), and to accept grant funds in the amount of \$331,155 for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 with the option to amend the dollar amount and extend for up to two additional years, to continue the Criminal Restitution Compact (CRC). This program provides services to ensure appropriate restitution fines and orders are in place for all offenders at the time of sentencing in criminal court, and helps crime victims determine their unreimbursed losses for court orders of direct restitution to the victim.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Adopt and affix a wet signature to the attached Resolution authorizing the District Attorney's Office (DA), on behalf of the County of Los Angeles, to enter into an Agreement with the State of California, VCGCB and to accept the CRC funding in the amount of \$331,155 for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 with the option to amend the dollar amount and extend for up to two additional years.
2. Authorize the District Attorney or her designee, on behalf of the County of Los Angeles, to serve as Project Director for the CRC, and to sign and approve revisions and extensions for FY 2017-18

and 2018-19 that do not increase the Net County Cost of the Agreement.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Agreement (copy attached) allows the DA to seek imposition of restitution fines and orders for criminal offenders at the time of sentencing in criminal court in all appropriate cases in accordance with applicable statutes and specifications of the Agreement. The DA also helps crime victims to determine their unreimbursed losses for court orders of direct restitution to the victim and works to recoup monies from defendants that were made payable to crime victims by the VCGCB to assist in medical and burial expenses. VCGCB has allocated funding to the DA for the past sixteen years for this program.

As part of the Agreement, the State requires adoption of the enclosed Resolution, which has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of the recommended actions is consistent with the Los Angeles County Strategic Plan Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness, to maximize the effectiveness of the County's processes, structure, and operations to support timely delivery of customer-oriented and efficient public services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total VCGCB Agreement is \$331,155 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-17. Funding is included in the District Attorney's FY 2016-17 budget. Program costs are estimated to exceed the funding by \$191,516 for FY 2016-17 which the DA will absorb within existing resources. Funding for FYs 2017-18 and 2018-19 will be requested in future budget years.

In light of the State budget situation, if funding for this program were to be terminated, an evaluation would be conducted to determine if the program would be discontinued with the reallocation of staff to vacant budgeted positions.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The DA has continually worked to ensure that restitution fines and orders are properly administered. The DA's CRC staff assisted prosecutors during the FY 2014 to 2015 to obtain restitution orders payable to the State of California VCGCB totaling \$3,105,811. Preliminary figures for FY 2015-2016 are \$3,020,295.

Budgeted program staff, consisting of 4.0 Paralegals and 1.0 Legal Office Support Assistant II, work with the County criminal justice system to ensure that restitution orders are requested in all appropriate cases in accordance with applicable statutes and specifications of the Agreement. This includes monitoring claims associated with restitution orders and conducting training and outreach regarding restitution to prosecutors and agencies in the County. Additionally, the Paralegals serve as a County resource on restitution issues, statutes, and case law, and may assist victims in obtaining

restitution orders for losses incurred as a direct result of a crime.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This program does not propose attorney staff augmentation. Therefore, the District Attorney's Office is not subject to the Board motion of December 15, 1998, requiring clearance with the Alternate Public Defender, Probation, Public Defender and Sheriff's Departments.

CONCLUSION

Following Board approval, the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board is requested to return two (2) copies of the adopted Board letter and two (2) copies of the approved Resolution with a wet signature, to Sara Wong, Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, Grants and Contracts Services Section, 211 West Temple Street, Suite 200, Los Angeles, California 90012-3205. Any questions may be directed to Ms. Wong at (213) 257-2806, or at swong@da.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

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JACKIE LACEY

District Attorney

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Enclosures

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel

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**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

RESOLUTION

Accept Criminal Restitution Compact
Agreement with the State of California,
Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles is charged with providing vital services in the area of courts, law enforcement, and adult and juvenile justice to a population in excess of ten million persons; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles is authorized, pursuant to Government Code Section 26500.5, to participate in any project or program to improve the administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, the Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board has been authorized to contract with local Victim/Witness Centers to ensure restitution fines and orders are properly administered in accordance with applicable statutes; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles, acting through its Board of Supervisors, desires to participate in such a program entitled the Criminal Restitution Compact for County Fiscal Year 2016-17 with an option to amend the dollar amount and extend the agreement for up to two additional years for Fiscal Years 2017-18 and 2018-19.

WHEREAS, the Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board has allocated \$331,155 for County Fiscal Year 2016-17, with an option to amend the dollar amount and extend the agreement for up to two additional years for Fiscal Year 2017-18 and Fiscal year 2018-19, to implement this project subject to the execution of a Standard Agreement and acknowledgment of the terms and conditions contained therein;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles approves the submission for and acceptance of continued

1 funding for County Fiscal Years 2016-17, 2017-18, and 2018-19, upon approval of both
2 the State and County, by the State of California, Victim Compensation and Government
3 Claims Board for the above-referenced program;

4 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los
5 Angeles hereby authorizes the District Attorney, or her designee, to serve as Project
6 Director for said program and to execute on behalf of Los Angeles County the Standard
7 Agreement, and to perform all further tasks necessary for the completion of the project,
8 including execution and submission of amendments, progress reports and payment
9 requests to the Agreement;

10 **I DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that at a regular meeting on the Board of Supervisors of
11 the County of Los Angeles on the 6th day of September, 2016, the foregoing
12 Resolution was adopted.

13 **IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of
14 the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles this 6th day of September
15 2016.



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By [Signature]
Chair, Board of Supervisors

20 APPROVED AS TO FORM BY
21 COUNTY COUNSEL:

22 MARY C. WICKHAM

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24 By [Signature]
25 Joseph Langton
26 Principal Deputy County Counsel

LORI GLASGOW
Executive Officer – Clerk of the
Board of Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles

By [Signature]
Deputy

Los Angeles County Chief Administrative Office
Grant Management Statement for Grants \$100,000 or More

Department:	DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
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Grant Project Title and Description	CRIMINAL RESTITUTION COMPACT (CRC)
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Funding Agency	Program (Fed, Grant #/State Bill or Code #)	Grant Acceptance Deadline
VICTIM COMPENSATION AND GOVERNMENT CLAIMS BOARD (VCGCB)	GOV'T CODE SECTION 26500.5	

Total Amount of Grant Funding:	\$331,155	County Match:	
Grant Period	Begin Date: July 1, 2016	End Date:	June 30, 2017
Number of Personnel Hired Under This Grant	Full Time: 5	Part Time:	0

Obligations Imposed on the County When the Grant Expires

Will all personnel hired for this program be informed this is a grant-funded program?	Yes	<u>X</u>	No	_____
Will all personnel hired for this program be placed on temporary ("N") items?	Yes	<u>X</u>	No	_____
Is the County obligated to continue this program after the grant expires?	Yes	_____	No	<u>X</u>
If the County is not obligated to continue this program after the grant expires, the Department will:				
a.) Absorb the program cost without reducing other services	Yes	_____	No	<u>X</u>
b.) Identify other revenue sources (describe below)	Yes	_____	No	<u>X</u>

c.) Eliminate or reduce, as appropriate, positions/program costs funded by the grant.	Yes	<u>X</u>	No	_____

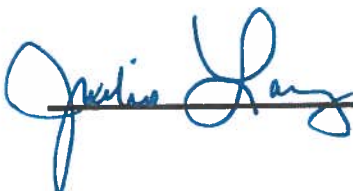
Impact of additional personnel on existing space:

None

Other requirements not mentioned above:

The VCGCB has allocated \$331,155 for County Fiscal Year 2016-17, with an option to amend the dollar amount and extend the agreement for up to two additional years for Fiscal Year 2017-18 and 2018-19.

Department Head Signature



Date

8/22/16